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REMARKS

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1. On 30 October 1951, the Infanterie Kaserne on Friedensstrasse, Zeitz (M 52/K 08) seemed to be occupied to capacity. All barracks buildings were fully lighted in the evening. Troops observed wore red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and were engaged in cleaning vehicles and equipment. [] 25X1

[] In addition there were [] which were marked with a white upright []

2. On 30 October, the Artillerie Kaserne on Friedensstrasse was occupied nearly to capacity. A sedan which drove into the billeting area [] and was occupied by a lieutenant colonel and a major wearing artillery insignia. (2) [] loaded to capacity with ammunition left the installation toward the ammunition dump. Vehicles which entered the Artillerie Kaserne on 31 October included 28 T-34 tanks, among them [] and four-wheel armored reconnaissance cars [] Vehicles entering the billeting area on 2 November included: 11 T-34 tanks [] 4 SP guns; and armored reconnaissance [] were identified. (3) 25X1

3. A bakery company was observed in a house on Dimitrov Strasse, formerly Donalies Strasse, on 7 November. [] was parked in front of the building. (4)

4. In the morning of 8 November, 340 Soviet troops wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and an undetermined number of women in uniform marched to the Soviet cemetery on Gleiner Strasse. The women were subsequently taken to the Artillerie Kaserne on six trucks, including [] (5) 25X1

Comments.

(1) [] estimated the number of troops in the Infanterie Kaserne at 300 on 2 October 1951. [] The present report indicates that the 67th Gds Meck Regt of the 20th Gds Meck Div returned to the installation during October 1951. The regiment is confirmed [] 25X1

(2) [] stated that there were indications of a possible transfer after mid-November of the unidentified AAA regiment of the XXVIII Gds Iltz

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Rifle Corps which, among other units, is carried in the Artillerie Kaserne, Zeitz. [redacted]. If vehicle [redacted] in the present report was identified correctly, it belongs to the AAA regiment of the XXXX Gds Mts Rifle Corps from Naumburg. This indicates a vague possibility that the appearance of officers from the AAA regiment in Naumburg in the Artillerie Kaserne, Zeitz, two weeks ahead of the aforementioned preparations for a transfer, may be connected with changes regarding the AAA components of the two corps belonging to the Eighth Gds Army.

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- (3) The second portion of paragraph 2 indicates that the unidentified Gds Tank regiment of the 20th Gds Mech Div returned to the Artillerie Kaserne in late October or early November 1951. The total number of 51 medium tanks seen entering the installation is about equal to the equipment of two tank battalions. **It could not be determined whether there are two or three battalions of the tank regiment in the installation.**

- (4) The building on Dimitrov Strasse was reported [redacted] to have been occupied by 200 troops [redacted]. The information that a bakery component is stationed there has not been substantiated.
- (5) The trucks belong to rear-service units of the Eighth Gds Army.

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